has developed a scheme for providing financial assistance for establishment of Mega Food Parks, which envisages a well-defined agri/horticultural-processing zone containing state of the art processing facilities with support infrastructure and well established supply chain. The scheme aims to provide a mechanism to bring together farmers, processors and retailers and link agricultural production to the market so as to ensure maximization of value addition, minimization of wastages and improving farmers' income. The primary objective of the scheme is to facilitate establishment of an integrated value chain, with processing at the core and supported by requisite backward and forward linkages. The ownership and management of the Mega Food Park would vest with a Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV) in which organized retailers, processors, service providers, farmers etc. may be the equity holders or there may be an anchor investor along with its ancillaries, associated companies and others stakeholders. The government agencies may also be shareholders in SPV upto a maximum of 49%.

The scheme is project oriented. The locations of the Mega Food Parks have to be selected on a demand driven, cluster-based approach with delineated supply chain and well supported by pre-feasibility studies. Mega Food Parks can be established for any sector on need and viability basis such as fruit and vegetables, dairy, meat and poultry etc. or it can also have a combination of fruits and vegetables, dairy, meat and poultry etc. the decision on which will be taken by the Special Purpose Vehicle (SPV).

The scheme intends to incentivise the private sector investment in creating food processing infrastructure in a big way. Accordingly, the Scheme envisages financial assistance in the form of grant-in-aid upto 50% of the project cost in general areas and upto 75% of the project cost in special category states subject to a maximum of Rs. 50.00 crores or the cost of approved facilities, whichever is lower, for all implementing agencies including private sector. The scheme provides for establishment of 30 Mega Food Parks with MFPI financial assistance of Rs. 1500 crores during the 11th Five Year Plan.

**Approval for food parks**

3547. SHRI C. RAMACHANDRAIAH: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether it is a fact that Government has approved 53 food parks recently to enable small and medium units to use common facilities which are capital intensive, such as cold storages, warehouses, control labs, effluent treatment plants, etc.;

(b) if so, whether any parks have been earmarked to be set up in Andhra Pradesh;

(c) if so, how many parks would come up and where;

(d) if not, the reasons for not setting up such parks in that State; and

(e) the details of common facilities proposed to be set up in these parks?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (*SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY*): (a) to (e) Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) has been providing financial assistance for establishment of Food Parks during 8th, 9th and 10th Plan period as per scheme guidelines. The scheme of Food Park was project oriented and financial assistance was extended for creation of common facilities such as power supply, water supply, cold storage, warehousing facilities, effluent treatment plant, food

testing analytical laboratories, common processing facilities etc. The objective of food park scheme was to provide common infrastructural facilities for use by food processing industries including small and medium enterprises to enhance value addition. MFPI has approved 56 Food Parks for assistance under the scheme so far all over the country. State-wise list of approved food park is enclosed (*See* below).

In Andhra Pradesh, MFPI has approved grant of Rs. 4.00 crore to Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Limited (APIIC) for provision of common facilities like cold storages, Quality control lab and testing facility, Effluent treatment plant, Warehouse and Marketing support centre in food park at Kuppam, District Chittoor.

As 10th Plan period has come to an end on 31st March, 2007, MFPI has developed a scheme for providing financial assistance for establishment of Mega Food Parks, which envisages a well-defined agri/horticultural-processing zone containing state of the art processing facilities with support infrastructure and well established supply chain. During the 11th Five Year Plan, 30 Mega Food Parks are proposed to be established with financial assistance of MFPI. The scheme aims to provide a mechanism to bring together farmers, processors and retailers and link agricultural production to the market so as to ensure maximization of value addition, minimization of wastages and improving farmers' income. The primary objective of the scheme is to facilitate establishment of an integrated value chain, with processing at the core and supported by requisite forward and backward linkages. The scheme is project oriented and the locations of the Mega Food Parks have to be selected on demand-driven and cluster based approach with delineated supply chain and well supported by pre-feasibility studies.

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*List of approved food parks*

| Sl. No. | State | Location of the Project | Implementing agency |
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| 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 |
| 1. | Andhra Pradesh | Kuppam, Distt.-Chittoor | Andhra Pradesh Industrial Infrastructure Corporation Ltd., |
| 2. | Assam | Chaygaon, Dist.-Kamrup | Assam Small Industries Development Corporation Ltd., |
| 3. | Bihar | Hajipur, District Vaishali | North Bihar Ind. Area Dev. Authority, C/o Department of Industries |
| 4. | Chhattisgarh | Vill: Teadesara, Distt-Rajnandgaon | Chhattisgarh State Industrial Development Corporation |
| 5. | Haryana | Saha, Distt.-Ambala | Haryana State Ind. Dev. Corporation Ltd., |

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| 6. | Haryana | Rai, Dist.-Sonipat | Haryana State Ind. Dev. Corporation Ltd., |
| 7. | Jammu & Kashmir | Khunmoh, Distt.-Srinagar | J&K State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd., |
| 8. | Jammu & Kashmir | Sopore, Baramulla | J&K State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd., (J&K SIDCO) |
| 9. | Jammu & Kashmir | Jammu | Jammu Agro Industrial Food Park. |
| 10. | Karnataka | Malur, Distt.-Kolar | M/s Innova Agri-Bio Park Ltd. |
| 11. | Karnataka | Bagalkot | M/s Green Food Park Limited |
| 12. | Karnataka | Jevargi | M/s Jewargi Agro Food Park |
| 13. | Karnataka | Hirriyur | M/s Akshay Food Park Limited |
| 14. | Kerala | Distt. Mallapuram | Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation |
| 15. | Kerala | Aroor; Distt.-Alappuzha, | Marine Products Infrastructure Development Corporation P. Ltd. (MIDCON)/Seafood Park India Ltd. |
| 16. | Kerala | Mazhuvannur, Ernakulam | Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA) |
| 17. | Kerala | Adoor | Kerala Industrial Infrastructure Development Corporation (KINFRA) |
| 18. | Madhya Pradesh | Jaggakhedi, Distt.-Mandsaur | Madhya Pradesh Audyogic Kendra Vikas Nigam (Indore) Ltd., |
| 19. | Madhya Pradesh | Nimrani, Dist.-Khargone | Madhya Pradesh Audyogic Kendra Vikas Nigam (Indore) Ltd., |
| 20. | Madhya Pradesh | Piparia, Babai, Distt.-Hoshangabad | Madhya Pradesh Audyogic Kendra Vikas Nigam (Bhopal) Ltd., |
| 21. | Madhya Pradesh | Borgaon, Distt.-Chhindwara | M.P. Audyogik Kendra, Vikas Nigam (Jabalpur) Ltd., |

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| 22. | Madhya Pradesh | Malanpur, Ghirongi, District Bhind (M.P.) | M.P. Audyogik Kendra, Vikas Nigam (Gwalior) Ltd., |
| 23. | Madhya Pradesh | Maneri, Distt. Mandla | M.P. Audyogik Kendra, Vikas Nigam (Jabalpur) Ltd., |
| 24. | Maharashtra | Butibori, Distt.-Nagpur, | Maharashtra Agro Industries Development Corporation Ltd., |
| 25. | Maharashtra | Vinchur, Distt. Nashik | Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation |
| 26. | Maharashtra | Mouza Gumthala, Bhandara Road, Dist. Nagpur. | M/s Haldiram Krishi Udyog Pvt. Ltd., Dist. Nagpur. |
| 27. | Maharashtra | Village Sangvi, Distt. Satara | M/s Agrifood Informatics (India) Ltd., Pune-411013 |
| 28. | Maharashtra | Palus, Distt.-Sangli | Maharashtra Industrial Development Corporation |
| 29. | Maharashtra | Kapsi, Taluka Kamtee, Distt. Nagpur | M/s Maa Umiya Audyogic Sahakari vasahat Maryadit |
| 30. | Maharashtra | MIDC Industrial Area, Shendra, Aurangabad | M/s Laxmi Nirmal Pratisthan |
| 31. | Manipur | Lamphelpat, Imphal | Manipur Food Industries Corporation Ltd. |
| 32. | Manipur | Distt.-Ukhrul | Rishang Keishing Foundation for Management of Tribal Areas |
| 33. | Mizoram | Chhingchip, | Mizoram Food and Allied Industries |
| 34. | Nagaland | Bamunpukri, Dimapur | Progressive Rural Development Society |
| 35. | Orissa | Khurda | Orissa Indl. Infrastructure Development Corporation |
| 36. | Punjab | Sirhind, Distt. Fatehgarh Sahib | Punjab Agri Export Corporation |
| 37. | Rajasthan | Ranpur, Distt. Kota. | Rajasthan State Industrial Development & Investment Corporation Ltd., (RIICO) |

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| 38. | Rajasthan | Boranada, District-Jodhpur | Rajasthan State Industrial Development & Investment Corporation Ltd., (RIICO), |
| 39. | Rajasthan | Sri Ganganagar | Rajasthan State Industrial Development & Investment Corporation Ltd., (RIICO) |
| 40. | Rajasthan | Alwar | Rajasthan State Industrial Development & Investment Corporation Ltd., (RIICO) |
| 41. | Tamil Nadu | Virudhunagar, Distt.-Madurai | V.P.S. Ayyemperumal Nadar & Sons., |
| 42. | Tamil Nadu | Dindigul District | Nilakottai Food Park Ltd. |
| 43. | Tripura | Bodhjungnagar, West Tripura | Tripura Industrial Development Corporation Ltd., |
| 44. | Uttar Pradesh | Ghaziabad | Wise Industrial Park Ltd. |
| 45. | Uttar Pradesh | Kharkion, Distt.-Varanasi | U.P. State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. |
| 46. | Uttar Pradesh | Shahajanwa, Gorakhpur | Gorakhpur Industrial Dev. Authority. |
| 47. | Uttar Pradesh | Village Kushalipur, District Saharanpur. | M/s Kushal International Limited, |
| 48. | Uttar Pradesh | Kursi Road, Distt.-Barabanki | U.P. State Industrial Development Corporation Ltd. |
| 49. | West Bengal | Chakgaria, 24 Parganas (South) | State Fishermen's Cooperative Ltd., (BENFISH), Kolkata |
| 50. | West Bengal | Dankuni, Distt. Hooghly | Modular Consultants Pvt. Ltd. |
| 51. | West Bengal | Haldia District Midnapore. | Haldia Development Authority, Haldia, |
| 52. | West Bengal | Sultanpur, South 24 Parganas | State Fishermen's Cooperative Ltd., (BENFISH), Kolkata |
| 53. | West Bengal | Malda | Deptt. of Food Processing Industries and Horticulture, Govt. of West Bengal. |

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| 54. | West Bengal | Shankarapur, Dist. Purba Medinipur, | Department of Fisheries, Aquaculture, Aquatic Resources, Govt. of West Bengal, |
| 55. | West Bengal | Sankhrail, Howrah | West Bengal Industrial Development Corporation (WBIDC) |
| 56. | West Bengal | Murshidabad | M/s Pataka Industries Limited |

**Poultry processing plants**

3548. SHRI ABU ASIM AZMI: Will the Minister of FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government has received any proposal for assistance to set up poultry processing plants in various parts of the country;

(b) if so, the details thereof, State-wise particularly for Uttar Pradesh;

(c) whether the processing can screen and detect the Bird Flu that affected/is affecting the birds; and

(d) if so, the details in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF FOOD PROCESSING INDUSTRIES (SHRI SUBODH KANT SAHAY): (a) to (d) Ministry of Food Processing Industries (MFPI) under its plan schemes, provides financial assistance, for Setting up/Modernization/ Expansion etc., of food processing units which includes mechanized/modern poultry processing plants also.

MFPI has provided financial assistance to ten Mechanized poultry processing units in Maharashtra (3), Karnataka (2), Kerala (2), Punjab (1), Haryana (1) and West Bengal (1) who applied for financial assistance under its plan scheme. None of the proposals of Modern Poultry Processing plants have been received from Uttar Pradesh. During the 11th plan also, if proposals are received from the State(s), the Ministry will provide financial assistance to modernize poultry processing plants under its plan schemes.

The mechanized poultry dressing process involves various stages which starts from ante-mortem inspection of the birds to finished poultry products by way of monitoring of each stage of processing. The ante-mortem inspection of the birds is being done by qualified Veterinarians who screen and reject the sick birds. The detection of Bird flu infection is possible at farm level which has to be confirmed by laboratory examination. Presently, screening/testing of sera for Avian Influenza (Bird Flu) is restricted only to Regional Disease Diagnostic Laboratories (RDDLs) and sera and Morbid samples at High Security Animal Disease Diagnostic Laboratory (HSADL), Bhopal. However, the various stages of poultry processing such as scalding at 150C water temperature and 50-60 PPM of Chlorine for carcass washing inactivates the virus. Further, strict Biosecurity measures and hygienic conditions in the processing plant can prevent spread of "Bird flu" infection in the processing plant.